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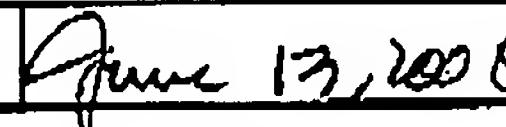
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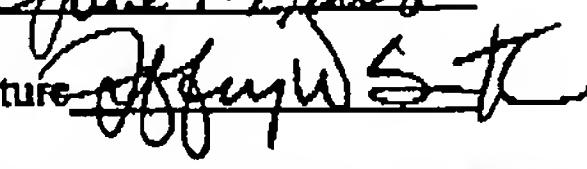
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## STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Attn: Joseph D. Pape  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to a May 23, 2008 Interview Summary in the above-captioned application, and a Supplemental Notice of Allowability that was mailed therewith.

Examiner Pape's summary of the telephone interview is substantially accurate. The Supplemental Notice of Allowability was being requested because the original date for paying the issue fee (April 23, 2008) was approaching, and the PTO-892 form had not yet been received.

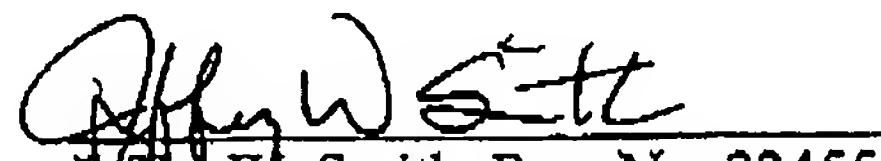
Unfortunately, the necessary supplemental notice and PTO-892 form were not received in time, and Applicants filed a request for continued examination ("RCE") on April 17, 2008. Therefore, the Supplemental Notice of Allowability appears to be premature because the

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examiner has not acknowledged the RCE or the Information Disclosure Statement filed therewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the April 17, 2008 RCE and Information Disclosure Statement be made of record, that the information disclosed be considered, and that a new PTO-892 and Supplemental Notice of Allowability be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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